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PREFACE

“The word of God standeth sure; having this seal the Lord knoweth them that are His.” The word of the Lord is here gathered, and, under the illumination of the Spirit an endeavor has been made so that he that runs may read and clearly understand the mind of the Spirit in the things of God. Man’s wisdom, righteousness and goodness is shown to be of no avail, but it is the kingdom of God within you that tells the story.

STEPHEN MERRITT.

PREFACE

The fact that all Christian churches are greater and more in line with God's religion today than any previous age is true.

While in this enlightened age we often wonder why they have to deal with wars and the many calamities that accompany them.

Many look to the churches and ask why the father of all allows such to exist in the world.

I am persuaded that the leaders of religion would answer by saying the sin of the people is prayerlessness who attend our churches. They have left the inner chamber of God's sanctuary.

Which leaves them to depend on organizations, education, social position and hundreds of other things, which are all right inasmuch as they are helpful to the present world.

But there is a secret which we can learn by being in communication with God and having His sanction, we his people can be instrumental in turning all troubles in whatever way they may appear to us into blessings for all.

MRS. A. J. WISEMAN.

GOD SOWING THE SEED OF PERFECTION IN THIS WORLD

Gen. 3 : 22-24.

And the Lord God said, behold the man is become as one of us to know good and evil. And now lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat and live forever.

Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden to till the ground from whence he was taken.

So he drove out the man and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life.

God is the seed of perfection and let us stand still and see the salvation of the world.

GOD'S SON REAPING THE HARVEST

John 12 : 32.

And if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

God's son issued the above proclamation to the world over 1900 years ago. Every time we try to lift this perfect one up while in the flesh, we are brought under the same delusion of the evil one as Eve was when leaving paradise. Do not be deceived by listening to every wind and doctrine. For Jesus said no one can tell you of heavenly things but the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name. He alone can be your teacher. This divine leader was tempted in all points like as we are being in the flesh. He overcame all sin for us. Acts 1:10-11.

And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold two men stood by them in white apparel.

Which also said; ye men of Galilee why stand ye gazing up into heaven; this same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven. This perfect one while on earth was buried and come forth. And was known to say to Mary touch me not, for I have not yet ascended to my father. He was also known to say, the works that I do, the words that I say, is not of me but my father that dwelleth within; which shows God established his perfect kingdom through his son to the world.

This being accomplished his father lifted him up from the earth, leaving his perfect image so that all the redeemed will be fashioned after him in paradise, and will be with him through all eternity. No one in this enlightened age believes that the Son of God's perfection stopped when he ascended over 1900 years ago. But can see by the vast improvements sent forth from him since then that we are in the shadow of a perfect world which is the paradise of God; he removing the fiery sword which allowed his world to be inhabited by those he gave his life for. In return he has sent them as ministering spirits back to the evil kingdom. They being born again they are in the likeness of the master. Which gives them power to accomplish more to overcome sin than any of the material world. God's son reflects through the minds of so many in this world, a glimpse of his second coming. He is also supplying wisdom to the astronomers who are making clear to us a world that can almost be discerned in the heavens, which shows that in a very few centuries we are to be annexed to paradise.

FOUNDER OF THE FIRST RELIGION

GOD alone is Founder of the First Religion.

Through His kingdom in mankind the God part of us is like the Father of all knowledge, who cannot change His power within us causes us to be perfect before Him.

The fact that mankind belongs to God, will be made plain to you if you abstain for a little while from mere admiration, and, like me, put your mind on God's word only. And while doing so, let us imagine we are listening to the Almighty talking to the first woman and first man. While we hear Him say they are become as one of us to know good and evil.

In the beginning the Lord, God Almighty, borrowed from the under world sufficient ground to establish his religion in humanity that represents two kingdoms—good and evil. His goodness in time will work through the evil so as all the children of our first parents will find themselves in God's universal kingdom, to glorify Him forever.

Adam and Eve were commissioned from the beginning by the all power of Heaven to redeem the under world. There is no doubt but before daylight was reflected to this world and all the facilities that go to make this world as He would have it for the comfort of our first parents, were produced, that this world was inhabited by the evil one while it was in

darkness. Its founder loved darkness rather than light, because his deeds were evil, but the evil one watched closely the Lord's plan to send forth on his territory good representatives, made part of the material of Paradise and part of the ground of the earth. We find the evil king had commissioned one of his angels so as to lead God's representatives and to misguide his religion in a world that God had donated to them.

I imagine the first parents felt as if they wanted to go back to Father's house, only to find a fiery sword swinging every way to protect the seed of life. But, they were disappointed when they found the only way back was by the way of the grave. Cain and Abel were next to be commissioned to produce the first religion, Abel being the second representative, but Cain represented evil, inasmuch as he had taken the evil one's advice to invent murder, but God's religion sprang up in Adam's third son, so that even mankind in those days called upon the name of the Lord. Gen. 4:25.

The next commissioned to bring forth God's religion was Noah. He walked and talked with God, who had informed him how the Devil's offsprings had planned to destroy his spirit, but for the sake of his people, he would save the world by using His designs to build an Ark, giving him one hundred and twenty

years to have those people repent, for "my spirit will not always strive with man." After the Ark was built, it was known as the House of God, Noah being the preacher who in this time invited the inhabitants of this dark world to repent, but they that were dead to goodness scorned at this offer for their souls' perfection.

For the benefit of my readers, I will call a convention of the fathers of the churches and ask them to go with me, while only in imagination, back to Father Abram and as near as possible down to the Twentieth Century.

Moses also shows us that the devil has no power beyond the earth, which was cursed for man's sake. Exodus, iv., 2-5: "And the Lord said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.

"And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand.

"That they may believe that the Lord God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee."

CONVENTION OF THE WISE FATHERS

I will illustrate to you in order to bring the light of God's own words, which cannot but benefit my readers, while imagining the fathers of all these different religions in the world coming together, so that they would hold, as it were, a convention, to discuss why all this goodness comes to evil men.

We will suppose this convention is now opening, while among them is a representative of the wise men, he being a descendant of the first religion which was handed down by God to our wise fathers, Noah, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, this wisdom coming down through the prophets from the wise fathers to the wise men who knew of the coming of Jesus.

This wise man is believed to be the organizer of this convention, which brings the fathers of all the churches on earth to be united as one. The fathers in return credit him with this Christ-like mind, which brings unity to mankind. There is no doubt but that this caused the fathers to vote him to be President on this occasion, to lead them in making plain the First Religion.

A WISE MAN PRESIDENT OF CONVENTION

“Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to meet you on this occasion and to have the honor of addressing the fathers of the production of good works which are not of man, but of God. But while it is in all men, yet God and His Son only have the giving out of such goodness to the world. The knowledge of such good works came first to the world by God’s personal command, to the wise fathers, in the renewing of our world. Before this command from God there were no good works known to the world. Luke 17: 20-21. I, as a ‘wise man,’ being a descendant from the wise fathers, was at a loss to know how goodness could come through evil man, until I saw where Jesus told even the foolish Pharisees, ‘Behold, the kingdom of God is within you.’ Then flashed the truth of God’s kingdom within me. When I could see why God chose man while being guilty of the worst crimes and inspired him to do work for Him. Now we can see the inspirations did not come from flesh and blood, but from the kingdom of God within man. We find by Jesus’ words God from the beginning was protecting his own in this kingdom while he allowed evil man to be destroyed.

“The next question that comes before you and arises in the world on account of the free school system in America, this system in time the whole

world will adopt that will make you all interested, and which means that all mankind, if so desired, can be educated, thereby causing the people to read and think for themselves. For God's word, we all know, is as sharp as a two-edged sword to the dissolving of the truth under the government of Christ. And the free libraries in America that are so much like our mothers' parlors, the people just delight during their leisure time while resting in these beautiful places, to read, and the beauty of it is, they are not shut off from any book that there is any knowledge to be derived from.

"We find in this age the Holy Bible is no longer a book of the past.

This is why God's religion is made so clear in the twentieth century. The Public Schools are as a gift from God to the unlearned, so that they can be counted in they all that will know God from the least to the greatest. On my right I noticed a few of the prophets of old and on my left some of the Master's disciples. In our purpose to make God's religion clear to the world I will ask Father Abraham to explain the story of Lazarus and the rich man. St. Luke 16:19.

FATHER ABRAHAM IN CONVENTION

Mr. President, while I look upon this audience of leaders representing God's great spirit in mankind, I feel to rejoice. In reference to Lazarus, he was one of the few that contain some of the spirit that has descended from our first parents, and like Abel, whose nature was to be good, he loved to glorify God. To die meant for him to live forever. I was acting power for my people, I believe God. It was counted to me for righteousness. Therefore I knew those that were good, and when the rich crushed Lazarus' life out, he found a refuge in me. Then the rich man got in trouble for God said, "this day thy soul is required of thee," he called on me also, being the father of the nations. As his Gods of gold were silent, he wanted me to intercede for him to the living God. After telling him I had no authority beyond the grave, he said he would like a little water, if only I could send Lazarus to him. I had to inform him that he was in the place that was intended for the devil and his angels before the world began, and on account of the flood there has been a gulf fixed between this world of opportunity and the world of the lost, and the only way to avoid that gulf is to believe in God and do the right while yet alive, but he insisted on me sending someone from the dead, to warn his brethren. I told him that they cannot believe while worshipping Gods of iron and clay, even though one should come to him from the dead. Great applause was given to the father of righteousness.

ST. PETER IN CONVENTION

Mr. President and brethren. This saint of God having inspired the kingdom of God within me, leading me to think of God's son while in the flesh, who said the spirit of the Father is upon me, he has annointed me to tell good tidings and to open the prison to those that are bound. Isaiah 61. Then he commenced to draw men unto him. First his disciples, twelve in number, who were delighted to co-operate with him in his goodness. Matthew 26:45. But in the Garden of Gethsemene he caused a sleep to come over his disciples and prayed to his father to let the spirit of those he had given him accompany him so he could present them faultless before his throne, but there was one who was on the side of the lost. The dear Lord had invited the thief on the cross to be with him that same day in Paradise. St. Luke 23:43. Leaving his disciples without his kingdom within them that is why they were so ready to forget the son of God at the time of his crucifixion, it leaving them in the state that humanity was in before the flood. Then came the new life—being born again in that upper room. The Saviour told me to tarry in prison, until the power of the Holy Ghost will come within me. Luke 24-49. Causing me to know that I was a new creature the Lord himself being conceived of the Holy Ghost, his power enabling the disciples to take up the work that the twelve representing the twelve tribes of Israel fell down in, but to God be the glory. I will close by asking you all to look to the East, West, North and South of your world in this century and see the number of churches that have been established on account of the spirit of truth that was sent forth from God through his Son in the world.

JUDAS BETRAYER IN CONVENTION

Mr. President: I want to rejoice with this audience in further knowledge gained by the messages from both Father Abraham and St. Peter. I, am Judas, he who betrayed the Lord. I might say that while my brethren were liberated that because of my wicked act, I am still bound in prison, which bars me from the presence of the Holy Ghost who alone can give the new birth, but I have faith in God's son, who claims through the crucifixion, even the angels of the devil, I being a descendent of our first parents, I have inherited God's spirit, which the devil cannot destroy, and because of my companionship with Jesus, who has in his mysterious way shut me out from Heaven until he comes to judge the world. St. John 20: 22. Which makes Father Abraham's sayings plain, because the man with the one talent means the rich man without God, having only life and hides that life in his riches, which he depends on after his work on earth is done to buy his way to Heaven. Matthew 19: 24. I was the man with the two talents, having life and also spirit. At the Master's coming he will call me good, because while he shut me in with the wicked, God's spirit has drawn the wicked ones Godward, or to know his religion. I was the lost sheep and knew my Master's voice and when he gathers up his jewels, I will be included with many of the lost, from the underworld, which means the slums of the great cities.

PROPHET JONAH IN CONVENTION

Mr. President: While looking over the audience and seeing so many who are established because of the first religion—it reflects to me the power of God's kingdom within. While backward in carrying out God's command, he revealed to me the real experience of Hell on earth, but in the book of Jonah you will find where no Hell can hold one that contains God's spirit. The Gods that the People of Nineveh worshipped could not do works, but God gave me this experience so I could preach as to what the living God can do, who caused me to be thrown into this ocean while directing a whale to rescue me with instructions to put me forth on dry land. The people of the twentieth century think it impossible, but it took what I experienced to entice the citizens of Ninvah to believe in God's spirit. Let me mention a power which comes from the Devil's kingdom, that our leaders have seen fade away. I have reference to the intoxicating liquors that God's religion has wiped out—which has been known the world over as the evil one's stronghold to blind the eyes of humanity against righteousness, and from such habit there has been very little hope for its victims, it leading on to drugs, where all chances of obtaining their perfection seems to be gone. I will call on those representing the prophets of old to bear me out when I say this evil drink was a God we could not destroy in times past, and the people of

old will think it just as great a miracle as it was when the whale had swallowed me up. The people of the American and Canadian world ought to rejoice because Christ through his church was equal in power to make their world dry to them in the twentieth century. To those that doubt the power of God over the evil one, read Exodus 4 ch. 2 to 5, which shows God's spirit in humanity can overcome evil.

ST. PAUL IN CONVENTION

Mr. President: Before closing this great convention of the holy prophets, I want to give my experience while drawing your attention to the ninth chapter of the book of Acts, which makes plain, while I had only life I lived to oppose the God's spirit, but as history tells, a searchlight from Heaven inserting within me the Christ life, making me blind to wickedness, as well as the world, I cried to know the kingdom of God within me. To find that instructions were given one of his Saints to acquaint me with the Holy Ghost, when I became a new creature, being born again. Wickedness passed away and behold, all things became new. I refer you to the Book of Acts, 11th chapter, 25 and 26 verse. Being with the disciples in the first Christian church where the disciples were called Chistians for the first time in this world. The place was in the City of Antioch and when I became acquainted with the first religion I was interested on questions that no one but us in the flesh can solve, comes from God's own words. Genesis 3:22; 'And the Lord said, Behold, the man has become as one of us, to know good and evil; and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever.'

"The problem which the world wants us to solve, while they believe God's word, which says, 'Man has

become as one of us, to know good and evil,' they also believe Jesus' words when He says, 'None are good,' and also His words, 'The kingdom of God is within you,' which makes God's words plain, 'That mankind before him only knew evil,' making it possible for all men to be one with God the Father, and God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.

"This kingdom of God in man proves that God has other worshipers than flesh and blood, which proves Jesus' words when he says, 'They who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth,' which is God's kingdom in man. This truth is brought to light under the government of Christ and shows us we would be subject to darkness and the light of improvement we would have never known without God's Son in the world.

I imagine these words had such an effect on the fathers of the different churches of the world that their inclination to speak on the subject of their goodness would cause them all to be on their feet at once.

While they could not all speak at once, they, being men, would naturally be somewhat impatient while awaiting an opportunity to express their opinions on the subject of goodness.

I imagine during the confusion that the representative of the larger church would have a tendency to look on the representative of the smaller church with

a desire to have them wait, and allow the most experienced to speak first.

Then the wise leader would again have to have his say, he representing the first religion, being a descendant of the wise men who walked with God. I imagine the excitement in this convention was such that it caused the leader to rap for order, but without avail. I also imagine that during this confusion, Jesus, who is ever near, appeared to them with the words, "Peace be unto you," and like the words uttered by Him when He calmed the seas, so those words calmed the fathers of all the churches in the world.

JESUS APPEARS IN CONVENTION

I imagine I can see them as they beheld the Master. They were of one mind toward Him. Of course, the holy influence from Christ, coming in contact with the kingdom of God within the fathers of religion, would naturally cause them to be in accordance with Him, so if it really occurred that the Lord appear in their presence, the inmates of this kingdom would cause the fathers to put forth their hands, and if they only touch Jesus, the evil, which is their bodies, would vanish, leaving them to know Paradise, so they could eat of God's goodness and live for ever, which complies with Jesus words to His perfect ones, who are the inmates of His Father's kingdom, their power being brought to mankind through the Holy Ghost, thereby causing them to be overcomers Jesus' words, Revelations 7:2, "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life which is in the midst of the paradise of God."

PRESIDENT ENDORSING SPEAKERS IN CONVENTION

My dear brethren: I have noticed each and every one of the speakers showing how the spirit of God can enter and control life that he gave humanity since the beginning. Your presence in the convention is evidence of the first religion which God gave our first parents who were commissioned by the God head after they were told they had become as one with them, to know good and evil. I have noticed by each of your testimonies that this same goodness was present with you in all of your troubles, down through the ages, causing you to be overcomers, because the spirit of God had directed your minds to glorify him, by believing in His religion.

Which is ruling the universe and filling it to overflowing with the essence of Health, Beauty, Power, Opulence, Goodness, Wisdom, Love; that every seeming contradiction is but the figment of negative thought. Sin is Ignorance, Error is Misunderstanding, Vice is Shortsightedness, Poverty is Blindness, Failure is Faithlessness, Misfortune is Misfitness, Envy is Ambition thwarted, Malice is Charity misplaced, Hate is Love inverted, Fear is Hope repressed, Gloom is Light undawned, Disease is Health unclaimed, Death is Life unsensed, Hell is Heaven undeveloped.

Since Christ was crucified every living creature has

within itself the elements of perfection, needing but to know and to grow the Divine Within for the attaining of the sublimest heights imagined and idealized by the human mind; that Pain and Sorrow, Doubt and Despair, Disease and Death, are but passing stages of arrested Unfoldment—beneficent in their purpose when understood, dominated and outgrown.

I believe that the human body is literally the Temple of God; the outer court is Thought, controlling all entrance and exit; the inner court is Digestion, where none but the pure may penetrate; and the Holy of holies is Sex—the Shekinah of the Creative Principle. To purify the Temple needs but to banish from the outer court the sprites of Adverse Suggestion, to clear from the inner court the gnomes of Mal-assimilation, and to lift from the Holy of holies the cloud of shame that Prudery has precipitated.

Man as a human being, should live close to Nature, eat the simplest foods, drink the purest water, breathe the clearest air, seek the highest sunlight, wear the loosest clothing, inhabit the freest dwelling. Cherish the truest comradeship and think the happiest thoughts. The Divine in man must grow while the body must die. And that this tiny planet is only to form his foothold, while his Hope and Longing and Love rise into conscious oneness with the Infinite.

Ignorance, Fear, Criticism, Public Opinion are the self-perpetrating slayers of the human spirit; that the

intuitive supremacy of the Higher Consciousness is the summit of power whence springs all purposeful and resourceful activity; such is the result that comes when you possess the first religion which is the God spirit within.

The education of a child should begin primarily with the wooing of its parents and end only with its centenary transmutation into the Universal, unsullied by the fleeting shadow we call Death; that the hope of the race lies in Immaculate Conception, Pre-Natal Culture and Child-Unfolding, and that no human can be too aged or infirm or despairing to be illumined and inspired and transfigured by the light of Truth.

We must not forget the first taste of the government of the God king in the world, that came from the inspiration of you wise men, while having the heavenly vision of the Christ child on earth under the star, which made you all rejoice with exceedingly great joy. The effect on the world of that joy has never decreased in the material life, for while the descendants of wisdom were so happy at the birth of Jesus on the first Christmas day, they also were the founders of all Christ-like gifts, which is universal in the world with both rich and poor in the twentieth century.

It is plainly seen when they presented to the child gifts. Matt. 2; 11: "And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his

mother, and fell down, and worshipped him : and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts ; gold, and frankincense and myrrh." So the goodness coming from the knowledge you wise men had of the coming of the Universal King will never be forgotten in the world.

You have also made plain the need of a Redeemer in this world at this convention, by proving all things that man could accomplish was done in its behalf. Yet, murder prevailed, so that the Son of God was compelled to force his way through such an atmosphere that he may procure salvation for those that planned to destroy him. Matthew 2:13. I have seen reason to praise God, even because of the works accomplished by his prophets. You will all please stand and while closing this world-wide convention we will praise the Son of God while he is in our midst. He has blessed us, to whom belong the glory and power and dominion for ever and ever.

THE GREATEST PREACHER.

Earth's wisest Preacher tells of the kingdom of His Father in man, which endorses the words He heard before the world began, "Good and evil to know means one of us to be."

With outstretched arms in love He said, "The wise and the foolish my Father made," assuring them all God's words cannot change: His kingdom in man means his elect.

While the wisest son of man was He, the kingdom of His Father caused Him, the Son of God, to be, by being one with man, good and evil to see. "But my kingdom is not of this world," said He.

This wisest Preacher said, "None of the flesh are good." No better proof could be given of the kingdom of God from above, for He, as man, was born again before He from the earth did ascend to be king in the world of His Father's kingdom in men.

To this wisest Preacher of men by night a ruler came requesting of Him God's goodness to know. To this man Jesus made it very plain: "While of the flesh none are good, you must be born again to know the power of God as will come to man when I ascend."

INTRODUCING THE GREAT PREACHER

In Matthew 16: 15-18, Peter says: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.."

Jesus answered: "Flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee."

John 11:32: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

John 14: 26: "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.'

John 13: 34: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

John 9: 1-4: "Master, who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

Jesus answered: "Neither has this man sinned, nor his parents; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him."

John, x., 33-38: "The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makes thyself God.

"Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?"

“If he called them gods, upon whom the word of God came, and the Scripture cannot be broken;

“Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?”

“If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

“But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works; that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.”

John 11:1-45: Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.

It was that Mary which annointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.

Then after that saith he to his disciples, Let us go behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.

When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.

Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.

When after that saith he to his disciples, Let us go into Judaea again.

His disciples said unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?

Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.

But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

These things said he: and after that he saith unto them. Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.

Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

Howbeit Jesus spake of his death; but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.

Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead; And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.

Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.

Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already.

Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off;

And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him; but Mary sat still in the house.

Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

She saith unto him, Yea, Lord; I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister, secretly saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.

Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled.

And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

Jesus wept.

Then said the Jews, Behold, how he loved him!

And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?

Jesus therefore, again groaning in himself, cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh; for he hath been dead four days.

Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldst believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

And I knew that thou hearest me always; but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus said unto them, loose him, and let him go.

Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.

Matthew 7:24, 27: "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

"And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon the house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

"And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

"And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house: and it fell: and great was the fall of it."

We have the exact words of the Son of God that his Father's Spirit was the Rock which brought forth goodness like water from a spring in humanity since the beginning. And he is asking all people to take

heed to his sayings that they may have his life more abundantly. He is emphasizing what God wanted the people to know before the world was destroyed by water as no doubt they ignored his religion, being without his Spirit. Jesus makes it clear that without God's spirit they in the beginning built their foundation upon the sand and when the winds blew and beat upon that world it fell and great was the fall of it.

EXACT WORDS OF NAPOLEON

One day he said to one of his officers: "Can you tell me who Jesus Christ was?"

The officer owned that he had not yet taken thought of such things.

"Well, then," said Napoleon, "I will tell you."

He then compared Christ to himself and with the heroes of antiquity and showed how Jesus far surpassed them.

"I think I understand somewhat of human nature," he continued, "and I tell you all these were men and I am a man, but not one is like Him. Jesus was more than a man. Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne and myself founded great empires, but upon what did the creation of our genius depend? Upon force. Jesus alone founded His empire upon love, and to this very day millions would die for him. Here lies the Book of Books upon the table," touching it reverently; "what a proof of the divinity of Jesus Christ! Yet in this absolute sovereignty He has but one aim—the spiritual perfection of the individual, the purification of his conscience, his union with what is true, the salvation of his soul. Men wonder at the conquests of Alexander, but here is a conqueror who draws men to Himself for their highest good; who unites to Himself, incorporates unto Himself, not a nation, but a whole human race."

Again, Napoleon said: "From first to last Jesus is

the same, always the same, majestic and simple, infinitely gentle. Throughout a life passed under the public eye He never gives occasion to find fault. The prudence of His conduct compels our admiration by its union of force and gentleness. Alike in speech and action, He is enlightened, consistent and calm. Sublimity is said to be an attribute of divinity. What name, then, shall we give Him in whose character were united every element of the sublime? I know men, and I tell you that Jesus is not a man. Everything in Him amazes me. His spirit outreaches mine, and His will confounds me. I defy you to cite another like that of Christ."

This inspiration from the kingdom of God within this great warrior makes plain to us Jesus' own words, which prove He was the Son of the living God, when He said He was with the Father before the world was. His name is clear to us when He said, "That which is born of the spirit is spirit, and that which is born of flesh is flesh."

TO THE UNKNOWN GODS.

Paul, as a preacher, in the early century, had an inspiration of the kingdom of God within him.

From Phillippi, Paul and Silas went to Thessalonica, which was the largest city in Macedonia. There they found many Jews, and a synagogue where the Jews worshipped. For three weeks Paul spoke at the meetings in the synagogue, and showed the meaning of the Old Testament writings that the Saviour for whom all the Jews were looking must suffer, and die, and rise again from the dead. And Paul said to them:

“This Jesus, whom I preach to you, is the Christ, the Son of God and the King of Israel.”

Some of the Jews believed Paul's teachings, and a far greater number of the Greeks, the people of the city who were not Jews, became followers of Christ. And with them were some of the leading women of the city, so that a large church of believers in Christ arose in Thessalonica.

But the Jews who would not believe in Jesus were very angry as they saw so many seeking the Lord. They stirred up a crowd of the lowest people in the city, and raised a riot, and led a noisy throng to the house of a man named Jason, with whom they supposed that Paul and Silas were staying. The crowd broke into the house, and sought for Paul and Silas, but could not find them. Then they seized Jason, the master of the house, and some other friends of the

apostles, and dragged them before the rulers of the city, and cried out:

“These men who have turned the whole world upside down, have come to this city, and Jason has taken them into his house. They are acting contrary to the laws of Caesar the emperor, for they say that there is another king, a man whose name is Jesus.”

The rulers of the city were greatly troubled when they saw these riotous people, and heard their words. They knew that Jason and his friends had done nothing against the law of the land; but to content the crowd they made the believers promise to obey the laws, and then let them go free. The brethren of the church sent away Paul and Silas, in the night-time, to the city of Berea, which was not far from Thessalonica. Then again they found a synagogue of the Jews, and, as in other places, Paul went into its meetings and preached Jesus, not only to the Jews, but also to the Gentiles, many of whom worshipped with the Jews.

These people were of a nobler spirit than the Jews of Thessalonica, for they did not refuse to hear Paul's teachings. They listened with open minds, and every day they studied the Old Testament writings, to see whether the words spoken by Paul were true. And many of them became believers in Jesus, not only the Jews, but the Gentiles also; for those who study the Bible will always find Christ in its pages. But the news went to Thessalonica that the word of Christ was being taught in Berea. The Jews of Thessalonica

sent some men to Berea, who stirred up the people against Paul and Silas. To avoid such a riot as had arisen in Thessalonica, the brethren took Paul away from the city, but Silas and Timothy stayed for a time.

The men who went with Paul led him down to the sea, and went with him to Athens. There they left Paul alone, but took back with them Paul's message to Silas and Timothy to hasten to him as quickly as they could come. While Paul was waiting for his friends in Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, as he saw the city full of idols. It was said that in the city of Athens the images of the gods were more in number than the people. Paul talked with the Jews in the synagogue, and in the public square of the city with the people whom he met. For all the people of Athens, and those who were visiting in that city, spent most of their time in telling or in hearing whatever was new. And there were in Athens many men who were thought very wise, and who were teachers of what they called wisdom. Some of these men met Paul, and as they heard him, they said scornfully, "What does this babbling man say?"

And because he preached to them of Jesus, and of his rising from the dead, some said, "This man seems to be talking about some strange gods!"

Acts 17: 22-29: "Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

"For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UN-

KNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

“God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands ;

“Neither is worshiped with men’s hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things ;

“And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation ;

“That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us ;

“For in him we live, and move, and have our being ; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

“Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man’s device.”

II Corinthians 6:7: “But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.” Also II Corinthians 4: 16-18: “But though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

“While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen ; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.”

DR. DOWIE AS A PREACHER.

Dr. Dowie, as a preacher in the twentieth century, thought it nothing to restore Greater New York back to the early century ways of doing things while the people in this age are enjoying all the inventions of men so freely through wisdom coming from none other than the Christ, for the betterment of mankind, including free knowledge of the world, which we could not have only for such government.

The Son of God, who is drawing all men to be wise in all things, and who caused the leading men of this land of the free to build this new world on the motto that can never die, "In God we trust," allowing no man to be bound to man, because they believed God when He said, "Behold the man has become as one of us."

And while enjoying the fruits of the goodness of God through those men, we know such fruit causes the men of this age to be wiser than in any previous age in history.

The writer was somewhat surprised when his attention was drawn to an advertisement of the coming of a man who claimed to be Elijah the Third, and his curiosity was aroused, so he attended his meetings on several occasions in Madison Square Garden, New York.

While at these meetings and hearing his denunciation of the wise men of this great city, I can only express my opinion of such a man by using the words in Proverbs, xvii., 15: "He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are an abomination to the Lord.'

WHAT IS HEAVEN?

By Rev. Frederic Laurence Knowles

I heard a preacher talk of Heaven, a land
Reserved for him and his, the Lord's elect;
He threatened vengeance with a clenched right hand
On doubters of the dogmas of his sect.

"One shall be taken and the other left;
What widow knows, wild with the parting kiss,
But God may choose that she remain bereft,
Divorced by Hell's impassable abyss?

"A mother will not meet her child when Death
Disjoins them, if his soul be unredeemed;
These loves of earth are fugitive as breath,
And have no weight with God." Thus be blas-
phemed.

Merely a boy, as I beheld the sky
Through the church windows, I grew sick with fear,
As fatherless as Hagar's child felt I,
Beggared of hope and naked of all cheer.

I left the barren room while still the flock
Were worshipping their God, or thought they were,—
"Joy!" smiled the flowers, "Peace!" sang each patient
rock,
"Love!" shouted forth each wild bird-chorister.

Then flashed God's truth! and from that day the lies
Framed by the creeds of men, which mock our earth,
Burlesque the sun and travesty the skies,
I value only at their worthless worth.

Heaven? What is Heaven! Escape from burning coals,
Or simply love? Well, one thing it is never:
An aristocracy of virtuous souls
Where the self-righteous sun themselves for ever!

To think that Love's creator rashly hurled
To outer darkness such a masterpiece!
Love—the best gift in this or any world—
Made perfect to be shattered in caprice.

A pagan bowing down to sea or sun
Or harmless idol on his cabin shelf
Is nearer Truth than you whose God is one
Less good and merciful than you yourself.

If God is God, and if His name be Love,
Can He elect or damn like some mad Fate?
Far better say no life exists above
Than bend the knee to worship infinite Hate!

Love must survive, a thing of all delight,
In this fair Heaven between the grass and blue
And in what Heavens may lie beyond our sight,—
But who elects it? Is it God, or you?

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GOD'S SPIRIT WAS IN THE FATHERS OF AMERICA

Jesus having power to control the inmates of His Father's kingdom, causing them to be overcomers, He said, "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame and am sitting down with my Father in His throne."

How universal were Jesus' words when He said, "I will draw all men unto me."

How much like the mind of Christ was the father of the land of the free when he fought not for the freedom of his country only, but made it possible for all the world to share the inspiration of freedom from the kingdom of God within him. What an example also of the mind of Jesus could be seen in Abraham Lincoln when freeing the slaves. The inspiration from this chosen man of God is being realized the world over for the betterment of mankind.

George Robinson has an inspiration of freedom in view, which seems to me to be one of the very best steps for the good of the multitude since Abraham Lincoln.

There is nothing so beautiful as the home of a husband and wife who are brought together under the influence of Jesus' kingdom. And while it is so easy to marry and for a couple to unite, having in view other motives than pure love, a great many seem to forget that they hold the key to good or evil on earth, but

commence to think when those imaginary motives fade, only to find the beginning of trouble, which the exact words of a wife endorses after divorce: "My life with that man was a hell on earth. No one knows what I have suffered, but now that it is over there are some things that are better left unsaid."

I wish this chosen man of God every success with his bill to open wide the divorce courts so those who are enslaved can be set at liberty.

Matthew, vii., 18: "A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit."

Key to All the Stories In the Bible

While making clear the first religion from the Bible, the writer wishes further to carry out his desire by planting the thoughts of every story as shown in the good book into the minds of the readers. By inserting the following references just as to where they can be found; in referring to the passages of scripture that is placed under the headlines of every story that the Bible contains commencing at the Garden of Eden from the beginning.

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**The Answer to a Mother's
Prayer**

Matth. xv:21 to 39; Mark vii:
24 to viii:26

**The Glory of Jesus on the
Mountain**

Matth. xvi:13, to xvii:23;
Mark viii:27, to ix:32;
Luke ix:18 to 45

PARADISE THIS WORLD'S FUTURE NAME

John 3:30 v.—God's power must increase while the power which causes trouble must decrease.

The reader will notice while studying God's word God's desire to make our first parents wish possible when they desired that their offsprings should become sons of God. Jesus makes this plain, Luke 17: 20-21, "Behold the kingdom of God is within you, it being God's spirit, can never die." Let us study the scriptures for in them you will find the light of life.

We can see where it will be made clear that God planted salvation into this world at the beginning, Humanity bringing destruction upon themselves, that's why God's son died to save they that were lost, which makes the spirit of those in the new creation at one with God's spirit after death as well as before under Jesus' leadership to bring the whole world to partake of his religion through his kingdom within which shows us that this world will never be destroyed. For while the monuments of Christ which are his churches are becoming more numerous, the spirits that leave the body of those that love God are joining the master which makes his words clear when he says "Because I live ye shall live also." John 14: 19. So we can understand that at his second coming those that are to be caught up with him are they that he has fashioned after his image when he appeared to

his disciples by the wayside. Luke 24: 32. Those are they that have obtained power through God's spirit to overcome the power of the prince of the air. It seems the time of His coming is not far away. The great world war we have so recently experienced which has spurred the good people of the world to fight for democracy.

While every mother's boy who has lost his life for the cause of Christianity have swelled the number that are to usher the Son of God to this earth to announce the perfect day.

They are to take part in chaining the evil monster for a thousand years. Then Jesus will say to the human race, I am your redeemer for which cause I appeared in the flesh. While he which you see bound offered me the world if I would bow before him. Matt. 4:9. But I was acquainted with his delusion, knowing his purpose was destruction. My aim was to establish a perfect world for a perfect people. While this evil spirit was at large, the human race could not enjoy the life that God intended they should. But there is sufficient power behind the cross to bring all mankind under the controlling power of the Holy Ghost and fire, which is to burn up all sin.

Jude 1:24-25. Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy. To the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

The End.



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